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- 1. The two shippards in Pulj (Pola), the Scoglio Olivi and the Arsenal, were combined in late 1949. As of 1 May 1950 the new unit employed over 4,200 workmen, the majority of them former Croatian farmers, unskilled, who arrived in the city of Pulj during the past year. The present population of Pulj is estimated by the local census office at over 24,000, an increase of nearly 50 percent over last year when the city was partially deserted by the emigration of many Italian residents.
- 2. The present director of the shipyard is a certain Stipetic, a Croatian engineer, who is known to harbor anti-regime sentiments. However, he is retained as director because of his competence but is under strict surveillance by the police.
- 3. Currently under construction in the shipyards are:
 - a. Twelve steel landing barges of the same size as those constructed in Monfalcone by the Germans during the war. These barges weigh about 180 tons each, are powered by a diesel motor of Italian manufacture, and are capable of between 10 and 12 nautical miles per hour. Each barge is armed with two small cannon as well as two 140 mm. and two 20 mm. guns on twin mounts.
 - b. Six coastal patrol boats weighing between 150 tons and 200 tons each. The armor consists of one small cannon and two 20 mm. guns.
 - c. Four MAS (PT boats) built of wood, patterned after those of United States design. These craft will carry torpedo launchers.
 - d. During 1950, the keel will be laid for a new medium-class warship, weighing between 6,000 and 8,000 tons, which has been designed exclusively for use in the Adriatic.

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